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E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: IN, BD, NP, XD, SENV
SUBJECT: INDO-BRITISH TALKS: EASTERN WATERS

1. THE BRITISH HERE TELL US THAT WHEN PM CALAAGHAN RAISED THE TOPIC OF REGIONAL WATER DEVELOPMENT WITH THE INDIANS DURING THEIR PRIVATE TALKS HERE, DESAI REPLIED THAT THE GOI WANTED TO START WITH BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN INDIA AND BANGLADESH. DESAI TOLD CALLAGHAN THAT HE WOULD NOT RULE OUT BRINING NEPAL IN LATER.

2. THE SUBJECT ALSO CAME UP AT THE EXPANDED BILATERALS. THE INDIAN SIDE STATED THERE, WE ARE TOLD, THAT THEY DID NOT WANT TO BRING IN NEPAL, AND THAT THEY LOOKED AT THAT AS A SEPARATE PROBLEM. THE BRITISH SAY THAT THEY GOT THE IMPRESSION FROM FOREIGN SECRETARY JAGAT MEHTA THAT THE INDIANS WANT FIRST TO WORK UP A JOINT FEASIBILITY STUDY WITH THE BANGLADESHIS BE-
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FORE APPROACHING THE WORLD BANK. PRESIDENT CARTER'S OFFER DID NOT COME UP IN THE INDO-BRITISH TALKS, THE BRITS SAY.

3. THE BRITISH SUGGESTED TO US THAT THEY WERE SOMEWHAT DISAPPOINTED IN MORARJI'S ATTITUDE TOWARD NEPAL'S PARTICIPATION. THEY HAD REGARDED HIM, AS WE DO, AS THE MOST "ADVANCED" OF THE GOI LEADERS AND BUREAUCRATS ON THIS SUBJECT OF REGIONAL

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